



**CITY OF SAN DIEGO
OFFICE OF COUNCILMEMBER ANTHONY YOUNG**



E-Mail UPDATE FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 1, 2005

One of the cornerstones of a 21st Century Community is one in which proactive code enforcement is done in cooperation and collaboration with community groups and organizations to help keep the community free of litter, junk, abandoned vehicles, weeds, and graffiti.

On Saturday, July 30 2005, I was joined by hundreds of community residents from Chollas View and members of Chollas View Community Council, Urban Corps San Diego, Neighborhood Volunteer Code Compliance, and City of San Diego Departments of Neighborhood Code Compliance, Environmental Services, and San Diego Police Vehicle Abatement Unit to help clean up their community. It was a beautiful scene in which trucks and SUVs full of junk and litter were lined up for blocks waiting to deposit trash they collected from alleys and streets into dumpsters. We also painted out graffiti, planted over 25 trees at Gompers Park and cut down weeds in several areas of the community.

I will be bringing this element of my 21st Century Community Initiative to neighborhoods throughout the 4th District. We will work collaboratively with community council presidents and members to ensure we get the word out and continue to have the success we experienced in Chollas View.

On Tuesday the voters of this city spoke through the ballot box by selecting Donna Frye and Jerry Sanders as the top two candidates to face each other on November 8, 2005 to become our next Mayor. Donna Frye received 42.9% of the vote and Jerry Sanders received 27.16% of the vote. We look forward to spirited debates in the near future regarding the direction the two candidates plan to take this City and the recommendations they have for helping to address this city's fiscal problems.

On Monday, August 1, 2005 the Council made two significant appointments. We appointed Elizabeth Maland as our new City Clerk and we appointed Councilman Jim Madaffer to serve as Mayor Pro Tem. Liz replaces Chuck Abdelnour who served as City Clerk for over 25 years. Jim Madaffer will chair the Council meetings if the Deputy Mayor is absent and oversee the remaining council staff in District's 2 and 8.

I am pleased to be working with Sheila Jackson, San Diego Fire Department, San Diego Education Association, community leaders and leaders in the education community to develop a Public Safety High School. The Board of Education unanimously supported the concept of having a high school dedicated to teaching public safety (fire, emergency medical service, life guard, law enforcement) while also providing students an opportunity to earn a diploma, be college ready, earn college credits, and have a certificate of competency upon graduation. We will be working to locate the school in a 4th district community where these agencies can attract a more diverse population for their future workforce.

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